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1. AD HOC APPROACH TO PROBLEM OF REPROCESSING OF NON-U.S.
ORIGIN FUEL IN U.S.-SUPPLIED REACTORS AS OUTLINED IN
REF C WAS SUGGESTED DURING PASCUAL MEETING ONLY BECAUSE
LATTER MADE CLEAR THAT SPANISH HAVE PROBLEMS WITH THE
GENERIC APPROACH WE PROPOSED IN REF B, SINCE THEY BELIEVE
IT WOULD REQUIRE FORMAN AMENDMENT OF THE AGREEMENT. WHILE
WE STILL SEE SOME ADVANTAGES TO REF B'S MORE EMBRACING
FORMULA, WE AGREED TO AD HOC FORMULA AS AN INTERIM MEASURE
TO AVOID DELAY IN EXPORT LICENSING OR LOAN AGREEMENT
APPROVAL. IN RAISING MATTER AGAIN WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY,
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YOU MAY WISH TO POINT OUT THAT WE HAVE MODIFIED OUR

POSITION IN RESPONSE TO INDICATION THAT JEN AND OTHER
ELEMENTS OF GOS WOULD PREFER SUCH AN INTERIM ARRANGEMENT.
IN PURSUING THIS APPROACH WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE A
SUBSTITUTE FOR MODIFICATION OF ARTICLE VIII AND XI WHICH,
AS NOTED IN REF C, WE WILL BE TAKING UP IN CONTEXT OF
BROADER NEGOTIATIONS ENVISIONED IN PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT.
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